



## *Agenda Briefing*

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**Date of Meeting:** July 7th, 2020

**Responsible Department:** Emergency Management

**Presenter:** Brad Goudie

**Briefing Prepared By:** Brad Goudie

**Strategic Focus Area:** Public Safety

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**General Information / Subject:**

This item is being submitted to review, approve and adopt the Harris County Hazard Mitigation plan with the comprehensive City of Seabrook annex.

## **Executive Summary / Background:**

### **BACKGROUND**

In September of 2018, a coalition of Harris County cities and special districts embarked on a planning process to prepare for and lessen the impacts of specified natural hazards by updating the Harris County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Action Plan. Responding to federal mandates in the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-390), the partnership was formed to pool resources and to create a uniform hazard mitigation strategy that can be consistently applied to the defined planning area and used to ensure eligibility for specified grant funding success.

This effort represents the second comprehensive update to the prior hazard mitigation plan, approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in June of 2015. The 38 member coalition of partners involved in this program

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Hazard mitigation planning for Harris County identifies ways to reduce risk from foreseeable natural hazards that may impact the county. Harris County prepared an initial hazard mitigation plan in 2015, with cities and special purpose jurisdictions in the county participating as partners in the plan. Since the completion of that plan, the County has continued to experience major growth in residential, commercial and infrastructure development.

Mitigation is defined in this context as any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property from a hazard event. Mitigation planning is the systematic process of learning about the hazards that can affect the community, setting clear goals, identifying appropriate actions and following through with an effective mitigation strategy. Mitigation encourages long-term reduction of hazard vulnerability and can reduce the enormous cost of disasters to property owners and all levels of government.

**Funding / Fiscal Information:**

**Account Number:**

**Amount Budgeted:** 0

**Amount Requested / Required:** 0

**Funding Source (if not budgeted):**

No funding is required at this time for the adoption of this plan.

**Supporting Materials Attached:**



**Prior Action / Review by Council, Boards, Commissions:**

**Staff Recommendation:**

Adopt Resolution 2020-XX accepting all of volume 1 and the City of Seabrook's portion of volume 2 of the Harris County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Action Plan.

**APPROVED BY:  
(as appropriate)***Brad Goudie*

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Building Official, if needed\_\_\_\_\_  
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City Secretary, if needed\_\_\_\_\_  
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Community and Visitor Relations Director  
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Court Administrator, if needed\_\_\_\_\_  
Date*Sean Landis*

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Deputy City Manager, if needed\_\_\_\_\_  
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EDC Director, if needed\_\_\_\_\_  
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Emergency Services Director, if needed\_\_\_\_\_  
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Police Chief, if needed

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Public Works Director, if needed

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City Manager

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